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University of Montana basketball player Earl Tye is the 1973 recipient of the Grizzly Cup.

The Cup, which is UM's oldest and most coveted athletic award, is given annually to the athlete who best represents the University on and off the playing field. The award was initiated in 1921 by Dr. W. E. Schreiber. Schreiber headed the UM physical education department for many years. Tye is the 47th winner of the award.

The selection was announced by UM Athletic Director Jack Swarthout. He pointed out that the 6-7 forward was a defensive stalwart and strong rebounder on the last two Grizzly basketball teams. Tye earned the John Eaheart Memorial Award as Montana's outstanding defensive player in 1972 and again in 1973.

UM basketball coach Jud Heathcote said that he was pleased that Tye received the award. "He was assigned the task of guarding the opposition's top scorer or rebounder throughout the past two seasons. He was an inspiration to the team with his unselfish play. I have always maintained that Earl contributed more than his statistics would indicate. His job was stopping the other team's top big man," Heathcote said.

Tye graduated from Crater High, Central Point, Ore., in 1968. He earned a B.S. in physical education from UM in June and recorded a 3.06 overall GPA.

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